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Rich – I promised you my written statement.

In short, the SAB meeting was quite productive – generated substantial dissent among 5 or more scientists on some of the key determinations. On the other hand, it demonstrated the low quality of the assessments. What is unknown to me is how much of this is attributed to Vince's leadership or the current leadership.

The new team needs to show that it cares about quality management of these assessments, and not merely utilizing positive studies of questionable quality. I continue to be concerned, but not prepared to throw in the towel on IRIS for a variety of reasons.

I may have more to say later.

What is the status of the IRIS/CAAC problem formulation meetings scheduled for late September? Is that FR notice signed yet? Could the interagency group see it?

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